London City Council SERVICE Committee meeting Aug 3, 2022

In attendance: Chair Bryan Robinson, Councilman Greg Eades, Mayor Closser, Safety Service Director Rx Castle, Park & Rec Director Landon McKenzie

Minutes: The minutes of the July 6th meeting were approved 2-0

Mayor Closser advised that the grant to demolish the old High school and Gym has been awarded to the City. The amount is just under 500K, and no matching funds are needed by the City. The City has until May of 2023 to complete the project. The project will include knocking down the building(s), hauling the debris away, filling in the hole, reseeding the area, and the sidewalks adjacent to the building(s).

Chairman Robinson asked is the gym is torn down, what is going to be done with the youth basketball and volleyball leagues? Mayor Closser advised there are not any good options, as the school gyms are used heavily. He does think that we will be able to host youth basketball before demolition needs to start. Mayor Closser also stated that he is currently looking into constructing a steel building, without the need to get additional income tax funds to pay for it. The cost would be a lot less, and it would not have the additional rooms or space that was in the plans if the levy would have passed in the spring. He feels he may be able to get some private funding to help out. He wanted to know if the Service committee feels he should investigate this further. Chairman Robinson and Councilman Eades both agreed that he should continue researching this.

Parks & Rec report: Landon McKenzie submitted his monthly report. He noted that Municipal Pool revenues have already exceeded the projections, with 2 weeks remaining in the season. The pool will close on August 14th for the season, as they will then be short staffed, and the cost to only open on weekends will be greater than the possible income. There will be additional concrete work around the splash pad to help prevent water loss. The Merri Mac playground equipment has been installed, and the ribbon cutting will take place on August 28th. Fall outdoor volleyball registration is now open, and the player evaluation date is Aug. 29th. The games will be played at Cowling Park this year.

Street Department report: None

New Business: SSD Castle advises that they have learned that the Pedestrian Crossing signs are NOT under the State Bid, and Council will need to approve legislation to advertise for bids, and to enter into a contract to not exceed $190,000. Chairman Robinson moved to take it to Council, Second by Eades. MOTION APPROVED 2-0.

Round Table: London resident Steven Miller made suggestions to the ordinance to allow for Water Restrictions.

Next meeting Sept 7th at 6PM.

Respectfully submitted

Greg Eades

Approved 9-7-22

REC

Public Service Meeting

August 3rd, 2022

LAUSON

Pool Revenue-thru July
Brought in 44,457
Estimated 42,000 for the year
105%

Pool Concessions Revenue-Thru July
Brought in 11,100

Total Concessions Revenue- Thru July
Brought in 14,600
Estimated 13000 for the year
112%

STAFFING ISSUES — CUT TO OPEN WEEKENDS ONLY WOULD BE CLOSER TO TRUE WATER THAN LOSS INCOME.

A. **Swimming Pool**
    a. **Final day of season will be Sunday Aug 14th**
    b. **7 lifeguards renewed their certification this past Sunday at a class provided by Parks & Rec thru Venture Lifeguard and CPR Training INC**
    c. **Once the season is over, additional concrete work will begin around the splash pad to help prevent water loss**
    d. **Gutter and downspout installed on frontside of concessions to prevent new concrete from pitting. Installation was handled by the Street Dept.**
B. **Merri Mac Park**
    a. **Playground equipment installation is complete**
    b. **Ribbon cutting ceremony will be Sunday Aug. 28th @3pm**
    c. **Recently hosted the 23rd Annual London Wiffleball Tournament where 91 teams of adults and kids competed at**
C. **Fall Outdoor Youth Volleyball**
    a. **Registration has opened and will remain open thru the player evaluation date of Monday, Aug 29th**
    b. **Games will be played at Cowling Park this season**
    c. **Registration forms can be found at the following locations**
        i. **Outside Parks & Rec Office on table**
        ii. **City Administration Office**
        iii. **Outside of City Building**
        iv. **London Pool during regular operating hours**
        v. **London Parks & Rec Facebook Page**
        vi. **London Parks & Rec website which allows online registration https://www.londonohio.gov/fall-volleyball**